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In re application of:

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For: ULTRASONIC DIAGNOSTIC DEVICE

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**TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1)**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant for the above-identified application hereby submits legible copy of the following relevant art along with the FORM PTO-1449 which contains the information required by 37 CFR 1.98(b):

A. Japanese Patent Application Laid-Open (Kokai) No. 2001-37756 published in Japan on February 13, 2001.

The above prior art is in Japanese, and the English translation of this prior art is not available at this time to the undersigned. However, an English language abstract is attached to this non-English prior art. Accordingly, pursuant to MPEP Section 609, the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance is satisfied, and an English concise explanation of this prior art is omitted herein.

It is, therefore, respectfully requested that the Patent Office make a record of these relevant art and consider them during the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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